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SUBJECT: KOREA IN UNGA: DUTCH OPINIONS ON UNCURK

REF: USUN 2685

1. DUTCH COUNSELOR BEELAERTS REQUESTED AND WAS PROVIDED BRIEFING BY RANARD (EA/K) JULY 26 ON SECRETARY'S VISIT TO KOREA. BRIEFING DEALT MAINLY WITH TERMINATION OF UNCURK, MAINTENANCE OF UN COMMAND, AND DUAL ADMISSION. BEELAERTS SPECIFICALLY INQUIRED ABOUT U.S. FORCE LEVELS AND PROGRESS
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UNDER MODERNIZATION, AND WAS PROVIDED STANDARD RESPONSES.

2. REFERRING TO REFTTEL, RANARD QUERIED BEELAERTS REGARDING GON'S VIEWS ON TACTICS FOR UNCURK TERMINATION. LATTER PROFESSED NOT TO BE THOROUGHLY FAMILIAR, BUT ASSUMED THAT GON TOOK VIEW THAT UNCURK DOES NOT HAVE MANDATE TO TERMINATE ITSELF AND, ACCORDINGLY, SOME FORMAL UNGA ACTION REQUIRED. HOWEVER, THIS APPARENTLY NOT A HARD POSITION, AND BEELAERTS BELIEVED GON WOULD BE INFLUENCED BY VIEWS OF OTHERS, PARTICULARLY U.S. RANARD SUGGESTED THERE NO NEED TO MAKE FINAL DECISIONS AT THIS TIME REGARDING NECESSITY FOR UNGA ACTION ON UNCURK; IN MEANWHILE, HE SUGGESTED WOULD BE USEFUL FOR UNCURK MEMBERS TO PROCEED WITH DRAFTING OF ANNUAL REPORT, INCLUDING SECTION TO BE USED FOR TERMINATION. SUBSEQUENTLY, WHEN WE KNOW MORE ABOUT INTENTIONS OF OTHER SIDE, UNCURK MEMBERS CAN AGREE UPON NECESSARY ACTION IN UN.

3. SUBSEQUENTLY, BEELEARTS TELEPHONED BACK TO STATE THAT DUTCH REPRESENTATIVE ON UNCURK IN SEOUL HAD INFORMED HOME OFFICE YESTERDAY THAT BEFORE DEPARTING ON OVERSEAS TRIP, ROK FONMIN KIM YONG SIK HAD REQUESTED THAT UNCURK POSTPONE SUBMISSION OF ANNUAL REPORT UNTIL HIS RETURN AROUND AUGUST 20. BEELEARTS IMPLIED THAT SOME OF GON'S HESITANCY CONCERNING TACTICS BASED ON WHAT IT CONSIDERS TO BE CONFUSION ON PART OF KOREANS OVER NEXT STEPS. ROGERS

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